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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 2, 5, 13 and 103 as follows.

1. (Original) A medical kit comprising:
 - a basin configured to collect fluid during irrigation of a wound on a human knee;
 - a basin configured to collect fluid during irrigation of a wound on a human shoulder;
 - a basin configured to collect fluid during irrigation of a wound on a human elbow or ankle; and
 - a basin configured to collect fluid during irrigation of a wound on a human hip;
 - a grommet, the grommet having a fitting part and a sealing part;
 - an irrigation shield having an aperture configured to engage an irrigation device; and
 - a cannula having an adhesive surface;

wherein at least one of the basins includes at least one surface, said surface having at least one convertible portion, the basin being sterilized and made of a bio-compatible hypo-allergenic material.
2. (Currently Amended) A medical kit comprising:
 - at least one basin configured to be stackable in a leak proof state with a sidewall portion and a bottom wall portion; and
 - a conversion device on at least one of the sidewall portion and the bottom wall portion, the conversion device configured to confine all fluid within the sidewall and bottom wall portions of the basin in a first the leak proof state and to form a drain in a second state, through which fluid inside the basin can be drained through at least one of the sidewall and bottom wall portions.
3. (Previously Presented) A medical kit comprising:
 - at least one basin with a sidewall portion and a bottom wall portion;
 - a conversion device configured to provide a substantially leak-proof barrier on at least one of the sidewall and bottom wall portions in a first state and to form a drain in a second state, through which fluid inside the basin can be drained; and
 - a cannula having an adhesive surface.

4. (Original) The medical kit of Claim 2, wherein the at least one conversion device is located near the bottom of the at least one surface of the at least one basin.
5. (Currently Amended) A medical kit comprising:
 - at least one basin with an open upper portion, a sidewall portion and a bottom wall portion; and
 - a convertible portion comprising a frangible portion of the basin, the convertible portion configured to provide a substantially leak-proof barrier on at least one of the sidewall portion and the bottom wall portion in a first state and to form a drain in a second state, through which fluid inside the basin can be drained.
6. (Previously Presented) A medical kit comprising:
 - at least one basin with a sidewall portion and a bottom wall portion;
 - a conversion device comprising a frangible portion and configured to provide a substantially leak-proof barrier on at least one of the sidewall portion and the bottom wall portion in a first state and to form a drain in a second state, through which fluid inside the basin can be drained; and
 - a grommet having a sealing part and a cannula, the sealing part configured to define a substantially watertight seal with the drain formed by the frangible portion in the second state.
7. (Previously Presented) The medical kit of Claim 6, wherein the grommet includes a fitting part configured to engage a suction hose.
8. (Original) The medical kit of Claim 7, wherein the fitting part of the grommet has a stepped outer surface.
9. (Original) The medical kit of Claim 6, wherein the grommet further comprises a peel-off seal.
10. (Previously Presented) The medical kit of Claim 6, wherein the grommet further comprises a strainer.
11. (Original) The medical kit of Claim 6, wherein the grommet includes a fitting part made of a hard plastic.
12. (Original) The medical kit of Claim 6, wherein the sealing part of the grommet is made of a flexible rubber.

13. (Currently Amended) A medical kit comprising:
 - at least one basin configured to be stackable in a leak proof state with a sidewall portion and a bottom wall portion; and
 - a tube having a first end disposed at an upper edge of the sidewall portion and a second end disposed at the bottom of the sidewall portion.
14. (Previously Presented) The medical kit of Claim 13, wherein the tube is integral with the sidewall portion.
15. (Previously Presented) A medical kit comprising:
 - at least one basin with a sidewall portion and a bottom wall portion; and
 - a conversion device comprising a tube having a first end disposed at an upper edge of the sidewall portion and a second end disposed at the bottom of the sidewall portion and a removable seal disposed over at least one of the first and second ends of the tube, the conversion device configured to provide a substantially leak-proof barrier on at least one of the sidewall portion and the bottom wall portion in a first state and to form a drain in a second state, through which fluid inside the basin can be drained.
16. (Original) The medical kit of Claim 13, wherein the first end of the tube is sized to engage a suction hose.
17. (Original) The medical kit of Claim 2, wherein the conversion device comprises a clip configured to engage a portion of the basin and to engage a suction hose, so as to fix an end of a suction hose near the bottom wall portion of the basin.
18. (Original) The medical kit of Claim 2, wherein the conversion device comprises an aperture formed in the peripheral wall and a plug configured to engage the aperture to form a leak-proof seal.
19. (Original) The medical kit of Claim 18, wherein the aperture and the plug are threaded.
20. (Original) The medical kit of Claim 2, wherein the barrier formed by the conversion device is sufficiently durable to remain completely leak-proof during a surgical irrigation procedure in which the basin is filled and emptied a plurality of times.
21. (Original) The medical kit of Claim 2, additionally comprising a flange extending along at least a portion of an upper edge of the peripheral wall, the conversion device comprising

an aperture defined in the flange, and a tube having first and second ends and sized to fit between the flange and the bottom wall portion of the basin, an outer dimension of the tube being larger than the aperture.

22. (Original) The medical kit of Claim 21, the wherein at least one of the first and second ends of the tube is sized to engage a suction hose.

23-102. (Cancelled)

103. (Currently Amended) A medical basin configured to be stackable in a leak proof state for collecting fluid during irrigation of a wound on a human anatomy comprising:

at least one sidewall and a bottom, the at least one sidewall and the bottom defining a cavity; and

at least one convertible portion in at least one of the bottom and the at least one sidewall, wherein the at least one convertible portion is configured to confine all fluid within the basin by inhibiting fluid from passing through the at least one sidewall and bottom in the leak proof state and define an aperture through the at least one sidewall and bottom when the at least one convertible portion is modified.

104. (Original) The medical basin according to Claim 103, wherein the at least one convertible portion comprises a frangible portion.

105. (Original) The medical basin according to Claim 104, wherein the at least one frangible portion is a score.

106. (Original) The medical basin according to Claim 105, wherein the score is an annularly extending score.

107. (Previously Presented) A medical basin for collecting fluid during irrigation of a wound on a human anatomy comprising:

at least one sidewall and a bottom, the at least one sidewall and the bottom defining a cavity; and

at least one convertible portion in at least one of the bottom and the at least one sidewall, wherein the at least one convertible portion is configured to define an aperture through the at least one sidewall and bottom when the at least one convertible portion is modified and the at least one convertible portion comprises a hole having a peel-off seal.

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108. (Original) The medical basin according to Claim 103, wherein the at least one convertible portion comprises a threaded hole having a threaded plug removably disposed therein.

109. (Original) The medical basin according to Claim 103, wherein the at least one convertible portion comprises a hole having a cork removably disposed therein.

110. (Original) The medical basin according to Claim 103, wherein the at least one convertible portion comprises a nipple having a cap removably disposed thereon.

111. (Previously Presented) A medical basin for collecting fluid during irrigation of a wound on a human anatomy comprising:

at least one sidewall and a bottom, the at least one sidewall and the bottom defining a cavity; and

at least one convertible portion in at least one of the bottom and the at least one sidewall, wherein the at least one convertible portion is configured to define an aperture through the at least one sidewall and bottom when the at least one convertible portion is modified and the at least one convertible portion comprises a nipple having a peel-off seal removably disposed thereon.

112. (Original) The medical basin according to Claim 103, wherein the at least one convertible portion comprises a cannula disposed on the sidewall.

113. (Previously Presented) The medical basin according to Claim 112, wherein the cannula is integral with the sidewall.

114. (Original) The medical basin according to Claim 112, wherein the cannula is removably attached to the sidewall.

115. (Original) The medical basin according to Claim 103, wherein the at least one convertible portion comprises a clamp.

116. (Original) The medical basin according to Claim 103, wherein the at least one convertible portion comprises a clip.

117-123. (Cancelled)

124. (Previously Presented) The medical kit according to Claim 2, wherein the conversion device does not include a hose attached to the sidewall of the basin when the conversion device is in the first state.